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SOURCE [REDACTED] 25X1X

1. On 31 December 1953, the Alte and Neue Reiter Kaserne in Ludwigslust were occupied by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery and tank insignia. On 27 December, 60 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery insignia, and equipped with rucksacks and rifles entered the installation, as well as [REDACTED] which arrived from the direction of Techentin.

2. On 31 December, Techentin airfield was occupied by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. On 27 December, a column of about 15 trucks, including [REDACTED] and some trucks occupied by troops, left the installation toward Ludwigslust.

3. [REDACTED] source did not observe any training activity in the Alte and Neue Reiter Kaserne. Several groups of soldiers, totaling about 150 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets and including about 75 percent with tank insignia, entered the installation from the direction of Techentin. About 300 to 350 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery, tank, motor transport and signal insignia and a few wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets were observed in the [REDACTED]

Comment. Same sources made similar observations on the occupation of the Ludwigslust post by units of the 18th Mecz Div in late November and early December.